



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1042

LCO No. 5345



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE PROSECUTION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 54-193 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

3 (a) There shall be no limitation of time within which a person may
4 be prosecuted for (1) a capital felony under the provisions of section
5 53a-54b in effect prior to April 25, 2012, a class A felony or a violation
6 of section 53a-54d or 53a-169, (2) a violation of section 53a-165aa or
7 53a-166 in which such person renders criminal assistance to another
8 person who has committed an offense set forth in subdivision (1) of
9 this subsection, (3) a violation of section 53a-156 committed during a
10 proceeding that results in the conviction of another person
11 subsequently determined to be actually innocent of the offense or
12 offenses of which such other person was convicted, or (4) a motor
13 vehicle violation or offense that resulted in the death of another person
14 and involved a violation of subsection (a) of section 14-224.

15 (b) No person may be prosecuted for a violation of section 53a-70,
 16 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b for which the punishment
 17 is or may be imprisonment in excess of one year, except within ten
 18 years next after the offense has been committed.

19 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) No person may be prosecuted for any offense, other than an
 20 offense set forth in subsection (a) of this section, for which the
 21 punishment is or may be imprisonment in excess of one year, except
 22 within five years next after the offense has been committed.

23 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) No person may be prosecuted for any offense, other than an
 24 offense set forth in subsection (a), ~~[or] (b) or (c)~~ of this section, except
 25 within one year next after the offense has been committed.

26 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) If the person against whom an indictment, information or
 27 complaint for any of said offenses is brought has fled from and resided
 28 out of this state during the period so limited, it may be brought against
 29 such person at any time within such period, during which such person
 30 resides in this state, after the commission of the offense.

31 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) When any suit, indictment, information or complaint for any
 32 crime may be brought within any other time than is limited by this
 33 section, it shall be brought within such time.

34 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 12-660 of the general statutes is
 35 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
 36 *October 1, 2017*):

37 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of [subsection (b) of] section 54-
 38 193, as amended by this act, a person may be prosecuted for a violation
 39 of any provision of this chapter more than five years after such
 40 violation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	54-193
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Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	12-660(c)
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Statement of Purpose:

To extend the statute of limitations for prosecuting sexual assault.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]